

- ### Achieving Smart Growth in NH
- Develop "Toolkit" to Illustrate Smart Growth in New Hampshire
 - Community Pilot Project to Evaluate Connection between Master Plan "Vision" and Reality of Local Zoning and Regulations

Smart Growth Principles

- Maintain traditional compact settlement patterns...
- Foster the traditional character of New Hampshire downtowns, villages, and neighborhoods...
- Incorporate a mix of uses...
- Preserve New Hampshire's working landscape...
- Provide choices and safety in transportation...
- Protect environmental quality...
- Involve the community...
- Manage growth locally in the New Hampshire tradition, but work with neighboring towns...



Maintain traditional compact settlement patterns...

to efficiently use land, resources and infrastructure investments



Downtown Meredith



Downtown Peterborough



Residential Infill Project – Hanover, NH



Somersworth City Hall



Center Village – Stowe, VT

Foster the traditional character of
NH downtowns, villages and
neighborhoods...

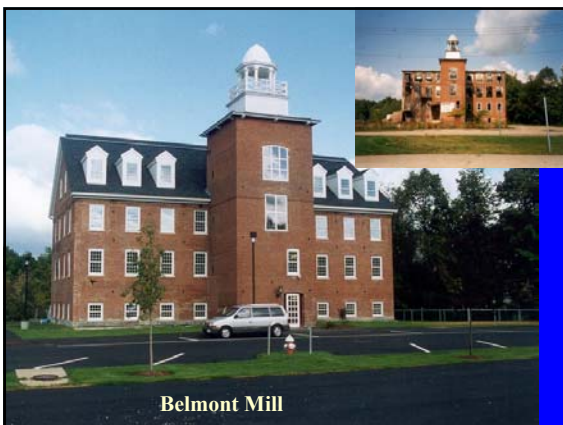
by encouraging a human scale of development
that is comfortable for pedestrians and
conducive to community life



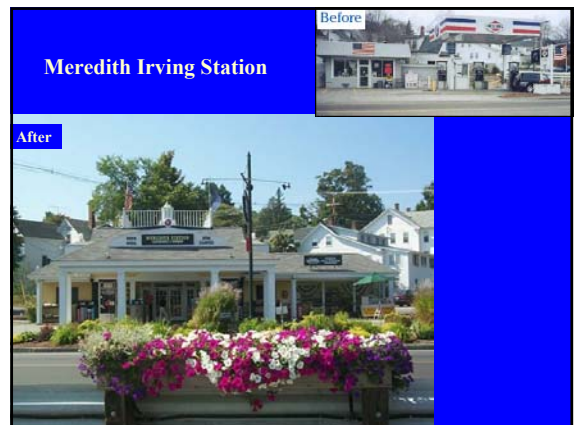
Downtown Keene



Henniker Community School



Belmont Mill



Meredith Irving Station



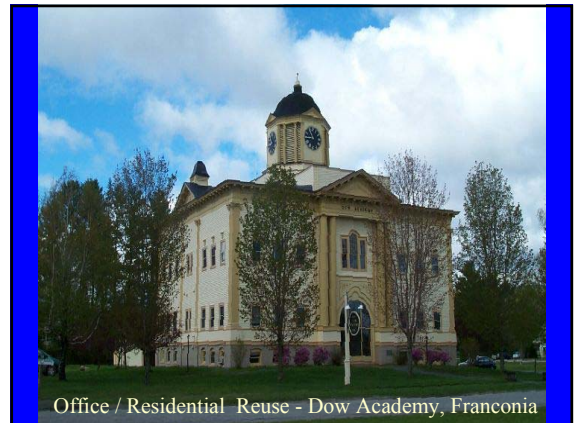
Newmarket Mill Project

Incorporate a Mix of Uses...

to provide a variety of housing,
employment, shopping, services and social
opportunities for all members of the
community



Downtown Keene - The Beaver Mill Project



Office / Residential Reuse - Dow Academy, Franconia



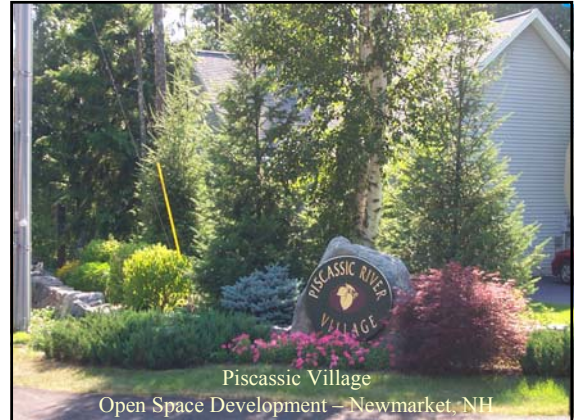
Downtown Exeter, NH



Seven Lebanon Street - Hanover, NH

Protect environmental quality...

by minimizing impacts from human activities and planning for and maintaining natural areas that contribute to the health and quality of life of communities and people in New Hampshire



Awcomin Marsh Restoration – Rye, NH



Portsmouth's Prescott Park



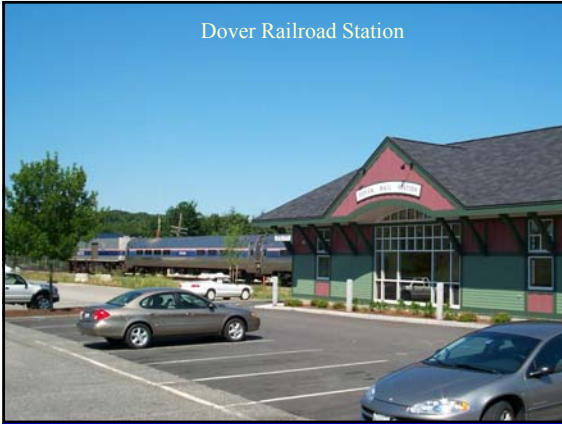
North Hampton Forever



Provide Choices & Safety in Transportation...

to create livable, walkable communities that increase accessibility for people of all ages, whether on foot, bicycle or in motor vehicles

Dover Railroad Station



Portsmouth Pedestrian/Bicycle Path



Neighborhood Sidewalk - Hanover, NH



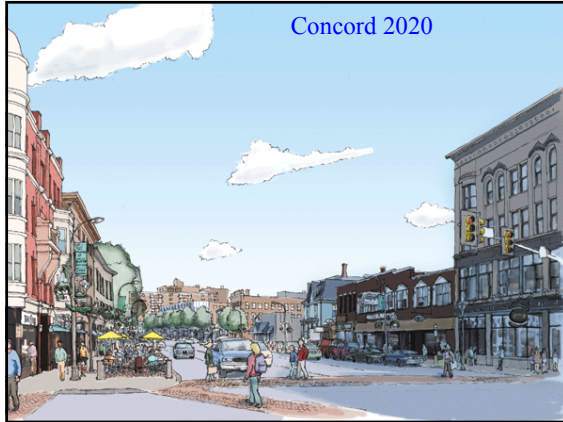
Advance Transit - Upper Valley, NH



Village Green
Waterville Valley
NH

Involve the Community...

in planning and implementation to ensure that development retains and enhances the sense of place, traditions, goals and values of the local community



Industrial Park –
Littleton, Lisbon
and Bethlehem, NH



Route 2 Corridor Study



Community Pilot Projects: Chester, Derry & Pembroke

Master Plan + Regulations
= Vision?



Smart Growth Pilot Project – Pembroke NH

Pre-development

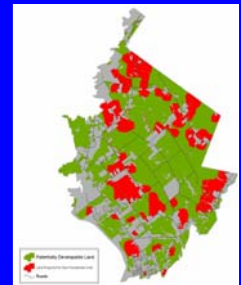
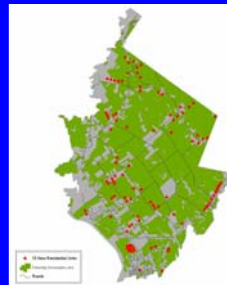


Pilot Community Process

Pembroke's
Favorite
Places



Pilot Community Process



Suburban Development



Conventional Suburban Subdivision



Post-development



Consequences of Sprawl

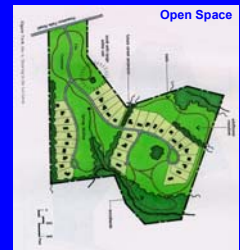
The amount of land needed to accommodate 1,000 new residents on:

- Quarter acre lots is about 100 acres
- Two acre lots is 775 acres (more than a square mile)
- Five acre lots is 2,000 acres (three square miles)

Consequences of Sprawl

- Uses separate: living, working, shopping, schools, recreation
- Housing diversity declines
- Dependence on cars increases
- Agriculture and forestry are lost
- Downtowns/village centers decline
- Municipal costs and taxes rise

Open Space/Conservation Development



- Same number of units
- 10-50% less impervious surfaces
- Reduces amount of infrastructure
- Flexibility to fit development to the land
- Preserve natural/cultural features

Village Development

- Alternative to Strip Development.
- Compact center of commercial, residential, and community service.
- Direct new development to identified centers.



Village Development

Residential linked to village

Community Centers

Shared Parking for Retail/Commercial

Village Architecture

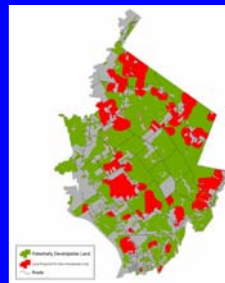


Open Space and Village Development

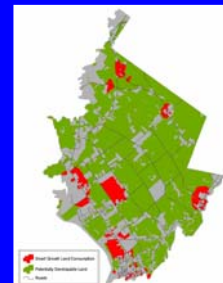
Residential, Commercial and Industrial Applications



Pilot Community Process



Conventional Development



Smarter Alternative

Website

www.nh.gov/osp/SmartGrowth/index.htm